

4 June 1954

Colonel Dallas S. Townsend
Assistant Attorney General
Director, Office of Alien Property
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Colonel Townsend:

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Your letter of June 3, 1954, concerning the case of [redacted] was referred to me by Mr. Dulles for reply. As I told you on the telephone this date, Mr. Dulles had earlier asked me to correlate all information of the files of this and predecessor agencies on [redacted]. I have done so and Mr. Dulles has inspected the report and has informed me that he can add nothing to it from his personal recollection.

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Most of this information is biographical, but on the chance that it may be of assistance to you, I will call Mr. Hill or Mr. Baum of your office on Monday, 7 June, and invite them to inspect my report. Since Mr. Gisevius' recollection and that of Mr. Dulles are not in accord in some respects, and Mr. Gisevius' statements are not completely borne out by our records, it might be very useful if Mr. Hill could at some point bring Mr. Gisevius over to see me so that his information could be reviewed for any leads that might indicate some sources I have not found.

I will be very glad to help in any other manner your office can suggest.

Very truly yours,

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Lawrence R. Houston
General Counsel

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